

House Resolution No. 289

Whereas, the Honorable Chuck Surface proudly distinguished himself through achievement as a member of the Missouri House of Representatives for eighteen productive years and recently retired from office as State Representative of the 129th District; and

Whereas, at the time of his retirement, Representative Surface ranked sixth in the House in terms of overall seniority and also enjoyed the distinction of ranking third in seniority in the Republican Caucus; and

Whereas, during his lengthy tenure as a state legislator, Representative Surface assisted his colleagues through diligent work on such important standing committees as Accounts, Operations and Finance; Banks and Financial Institutions; Federal-State Relations and Veterans Affairs; and Insurance; and

Whereas, Representative Surface has played an instrumental role in improving the quality of life for countless citizens by his outstanding leadership through association with Missouri Special Olympics, Joplin Jaycees, YMCA Football, Missouri Southern State College Alumni Association, Joplin Boys Club, Governor's Committee on Public Safety, Missouri Jaycees, Oak Hill Hospital Board of Trustees, American Legion, American Legislative Exchange Council Commerce and Economic Development National Task Force, National Coalition of Insurance Legislators, National Conference of State Legislatures Committee on AFI-Commerce and Communications, Council of State Government Health Capacity Task Force, and Joplin Library Board of Trustees; and

Whereas, a lifelong resident of Jasper County, Representative Surface served his country in the United States Air Force for four years, owned and operated a Shelter Insurance business for thirty-two years, provided leadership as Chairman of the Joplin Zoning and Planning Commission, and held the position of Joplin City Councilman; and

Whereas, Chuck Surface continues to excel in the area of public service by carrying out his important duties and responsibilities as Presiding Commissioner of Jasper County:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud with profound gratitude Representative Surface's stellar legacy of state governmental service and to extend to him best wishes for even greater success with the loving support of his wife and three children; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Honorable Chuck Surface, retired State Representative from the 129th District.

Offered by _____
Representative Ronald Richard
District No. 129

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 289, adopted February 5, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker